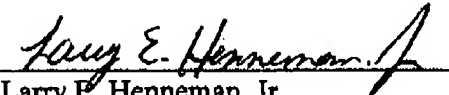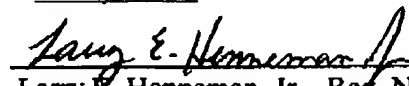| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER	Attorney Docket No: 0011-051

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Invention: Dummy Metal Pattern Method and Apparatus

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	12	MINUS	24	0	$18	$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	0	$84	$ 0.00

____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of November 4, 2003 to and through ____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

____ one month ($110)	____three months ($920)
____ two months ($400)	____four months ($1440)

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT	$0.00

____ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

____ A check in the amount of $_____ is attached.

____ Charge $_____ to Deposit Account _____.

__X__ No additional fee is required.

_1/5/04_
Date

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I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being transmitted via facsimile to: Box AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 at 703-872-9306 on January 5, 2004.

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